



COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING
MANGUM REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

TITLE		POLICY	
IV Administration Privileges		NUR-014	
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Nursing	02/2020		
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE		
Nursing			

SCOPE

This policy applies to all Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses of Mangum Regional Medical Center.

PURPOSE

To establish who may give, mix and start IV push medications, piggybacks and establish IV fluids for patient administration.

DEFINITIONS

Supervising-The term “supervising” is defined in the Rules of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act as: “providing guidance for accomplishing the nursing task or activity, with initial direction of the task or activity and periodic inspection of the actual act of accomplishing a task or activity”. [OAC § 485:10- 1-2] C.

Delegating-The term “delegating” is defined in the Rules of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice act as: “entrusting the performance of selected nursing duties to individuals qualified, competent and legally able to perform such duties”. [OAC § 485:10-1-2.

POLICY

To provide guidelines on who may administer IV medications/fluids.

PROCEDURE

1. RN's may administer all classes of IV medications, blood and blood products.
2. IV Medication Administration by Licensed Practical Nurses:
 - **Guideline I. Introduction/Purpose:**
 - A. In accordance with the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act, specifically 59 O.S. § 567.3a.2., "the practice of nursing" includes "execution of the medical regime including the administration of medications and treatments prescribed by any person authorized by state law to so prescribe." Therefore, IV therapy and medication administration may be within the scope of practice of the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) who has appropriate educational training and supervision.
 - B. The Registered Nurse (RN) is responsible for the patient assessment and analysis of data collected during the assessment in determining nursing care needs of the patient. The RN delegating IV medication administration to the LPN must be available to assess the patient and to analyze assessment data, as required.
 - **Guideline II:**
 - A. The RN delegating IV therapy/medication administration to an LPN working under the RN's supervision must be able to verify that the LPN has been trained and is competent to perform the skill.
 - B. The individual delegating IV therapy to the LPN has the responsibility to adequately supervise the LPN.
3. Training and IV Privileges of the Licensed Practical Nurse:
 - A. Appropriate training will be conducted by the employer and should be documented and maintained in the employee file.
 - B. The LPN's education, training and competency validation of skills must be specific to the types of access devices and medications used in the hospital, new devices, or other changes that affect the administration of IV medications and treatments. Education and will be completed upon hire, annually, and as needed.
 - C. LPN's may perform the following functions regarding intravenous lines, IV medications and fluids, and care maintenance and access of IV lines:
 1. LPN's may access, maintain, and care for peripheral, central and picc line devices (line flushes, dressing changes, and accessing line for medication/fluid administration);
 2. LPN's may perform venipuncture for obtaining lab specimens or the insertion of a peripheral venous line;
 3. LPN's may administer medications and fluids via peripheral, central and picc line devices;
 4. **Exceptions for LPN's:** LPN's may not administer cardiac push/bolus medications or blood or blood products via peripheral, central and picc line devices. LPN's may monitor IV infusion of blood or blood products;
 5. LPN's may draw blood from a central or picc line device;
 6. LPN's who are ACLS certified may administer emergency medications per ACLS guidelines via peripheral, central or picc line devices

REFERENCES

Oklahoma Board of Nursing

ATTACHMENTS

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REVISIONS/UPDATES

Date	Brief Description of Revision/Change